A Policy Roundtable regarding Global Entrepreneurship Week was held at Marriott, Islamabad on 16th November 2012. Khawaja Basit Rehman, Asst. Manager – ORIC represented ORIC - CIIT in this policy roundtable. The proceedings of the roundtable were as follows:

**Panel:**
- Dr. Sohail Naqvi - HEC
- Faisal Mushtaq – Owner, Roots School System
- Sardar Hayat – President, Exceed Ltd.
- Muhammad Farrukh – Founder, MOFTAK Solutions
- Hassan Raza – CEO, eGas
- Rizwan Rizwi – COO, Young Moajid
- Zakiuddin Ahmad – President of OPEN and Healthcare
- Rashid Khan – Chairman, Nayatel
- Wahaj ul Siraj – CEO, Nayatel
- Murtaza Zaidi – Executive Director, TIE
- S.M. Younis Jafri – Advisor, Planning Commission
- Naveed Mirza – Kamyab Pakistan
- Linda Lourie – Director, Office of Law, U.S Embassy Pakistan
- Amer Hashmi – Advisor to Rector NUST
- Adnan - MIT graduate
- Dr. Shahina Wahid – UNIDO
- Shahid Ansari – Incharge, TIC CIIT
- Malik Shehriyar – Young Economic Forum
- Moin – Competition Commission of Pakistan

**Discussion on creating an Entrepreneurship Environment:**

1) Innovation and Entrepreneurship are correlated terms.
2) Inputs are the enabling environments, Creative goods and services - outputs (Innovation Efficiency Index) Pakistan at no. 15 out of 142.
3) Human capital i.e. education / research and development/ infrastructure/ ecology/ Market Sophistication.

**Biggest Constraints:**

1) Biggest constraint is mindset
2) Entrepreneurial Curriculum Development. People, policy and partnership theory to be inculcated.
3) Rule of law and governance.
What to do:

1) Create a group of venture capitalists.
2) Ability to protect what you are doing. (Awareness about related businesses etc. Patent gives you 20 year protection)
3) Growth capital can be easily attained than that of startup capital, seed capital requirement.
4) 90% ideas come from under-25 people, give them chances
5) No media attention given to entrepreneurs, gap between youth and entrepreneurs.
6) Authority for entrepreneurs is required
7) Coordination of stakeholders
10) Equal opportunities, least infrastructure available,
11) Agri - sector involvement